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ISRAEL TELLS UNSC ITS AIR  
FORCE STRUCK TARGETS IN  
EGYPT WITH CONVENTIONAL  
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MIDEAST-WEAPONS:

UNITED NATIONS, OCT. 15, REUTER-ISRAEL TONIGHT TOLD THE SECURITY COUNCIL ITS AIR FORCE HAD TAKEN ACTION AGAINST MILITARY TARGETS IN EGYPT WITH CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS OF THE TYPE USED BY OTHER AIR FORCES.

AMBASSADOR YOSEF TEKOAHA WAS RESPONDING TO A COMPLAINT BY HIS EGYPTIAN OPPOSITE NUMBER, DR. A. ESMAAT ABDEL MEGUID, THAT ISRAEL HAD USED AMERICAN-MADE MULTIPLE ANTI-PERSONNEL WEAPONS AGAINST CIVILIAN AREAS IN THE NILE DELTA.

IN A LETTER TO THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT, SIR LAURENCE MCINTYRE OF AUSTRALIA, TEKOAHA SAID THAT, IN EXERCISE OF ITS RIGHT OF SELF-DEFENSE, ISRAEL WAS CONDUCTING MILITARY OPERATIONS "NECESSITATED BY THE SITUATION CREATED BY THE EGYPTIAN ONSLAUGHT."

"IN THE COURSE OF THESE OPERATIONS THE ISRAELI AIR FORCE HAS TAKEN ACTION AGAINST MILITARY TARGETS IN EGYPT, SUCH AS THE MILITARY AIR FIELDS AT MANSOURA, TANTA, ABU HAKAD QUESNA, JANAKLIS, SHUBRAHIT, RADAR OUTPOSTS AT BELTIY AND DAMYETTE, AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AT QUTNIYE.

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"IN THESE ATTACKS, ISRAEL AIRPLANES MAKE USE OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH ARE IN USE IN OTHER AIR FORCES. THIS USE IS PERFECTLY LEGITIMATE."

TAKOAH ADDED: "EGYPT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENGULFING THE MIDDLE EAST IN RENEWED BLOODSHED AFTER YEARS OF AGGRESSION INCLUDING RESORT TO TERRORIST OUTRAGES CAN NEITHER BE VEILED NOR ATTENUATED BY THE BASELESS CHARGES EGYPTIAN PROPAGANDA HAD TRIED TO LEVEL AT ISRAEL'S DEFENSE AGAINST THE ARAB ASSAULT OF OCT. 6."

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